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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98 copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

United States Patent 6,026,605 (Tippett), dated February 22, 2000;

German Utility Model GM 77 30 900, dated March 30, 1978, device for removable fastening of a graduating dial;

German Utility Model G 88 03 319.8 U1, dated June 1, 1988, control panel for household appliance;

German Published Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DT 26 15 512 A1 (Bauer), dated October 20, 1977, electrical household appliance having a control panel;

European Search Report dated June 14, 2004.

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**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

EXAMINER INITIALS		PATENT NO.	DATE	PATENTEE	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE
	A	6,026,605	02/22/00	Tippett			
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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENT**

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	J	77 30 900	03/30/78	Germany			
	K	88 03 319.8 U1	06/01/88	Germany			
	L	26 15 512 A1	10/20/77	Germany			
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